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THE MODERN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Modern Language Association of America was held under the auspices of Yale University at New Haven, Conn., December 27, 28, 29, 1917, in accordance with the folloing invitation:

> YALE UNIVERSITY NEW HAVEN, CONN.

> > January 20, 1917.

Professor WILLIAM GUILD HOWARD,

Secretary of the Modern Language Association,

39 Kirkland Street,

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I write to inform you that it will give the authorities of Yale University great pleasure should the Modern Language Association decide to hold its meeting in New Haven during the next Christmas vacation.

The professors of our Modern Language department have suggested to the University authorities that a formal invitation be sent to the Association. As the proposal has the hearty approval of the President and Fellows, I take great pleasure in transmitting the invitation in this way.

Hoping that the Modern Language Association may definitely decide to hold its next meeting in New Haven, and assuring its officers that the University will do all in its power to make the meeting a success, I am,

Very truly yours,

ANSON PHELPS STOKES.

FIRST SESSION, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

At 2.50 p. m. the Secretary of the Association, Professor W. G. Howard, cald the meeting to order in Lampson Lyceum and presented President Hadley, of Yale University, who hospitably welcomd the gathering.

The Secretary announced that the President of the Association, Professor Kuno Francke, of Harvard University, was prevented by ilness from attending the meeting, and that the Vice-Presidents had been delayd in arriving. By unanimus consent Professor C. B. Wilson, of the State University of Iowa, took the chair.

The Secretary red a letter from Professor Francke expressing regret for his enforced absence and conveying good wishes to the Association. On motion of Professor C. H. Grandgent it was unanimusly

Resolvd: that the Modern Language Association of America profoundly sympathizes with its President in his ilness and wishes him a prompt and complete recovery.

The Secretary presented as his Report, Volume XXXII of the *Publications* of the Association, and the same was unanimusly accepted.

The Tresurer of the Association, Professor W. G. Howard, presented the folloing Report:

\$5,887 19

A. CURRENT RECEITS AND EXPENDITURES

RECEITS

| Balan | ce on hand | , Deceml | oer 23 | 3, 1916 | , - | | - | - | - | - | \$ | 702 | 23 |
|--------|-------------|----------|------------------------|---------|-----|------|----|----|---------|----|----|-------|----|
| From | Members, | 1904, | - | | - | \$ | 3 | 00 | | | | | |
| " | | 1907, | - | - | - | | 3 | 00 | | | | | |
| " | " | 1908, | - | - | | | 3 | 00 | | | | | |
| " | " | 1915, | - | - | - | : | 24 | 00 | | | | | |
| " | " | 1916, | | - | | 1. | 47 | 00 | | | | | |
| " | " | 1917, | - | - | - | 3,4 | 49 | 75 | | | | | |
| " | " | 1918, | - | - | - | 1 | 41 | 10 | | | | | |
| " | " | Life. | - | - | _ | 2 | 90 | 00 | | | | | |
| " | " | APA, | - | - | - | | 37 | 50 | | | | | |
| | | ŕ | | | | _ | | | \$4,098 | 35 | | | |
| From | Libraries, | for Pub | ol. I– | XXX, | - | \$ | 3 | 60 | | | | | |
| " | " | " | | XI, | - | | 3 | 90 | | | | | |
| " | " | " " | $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}$ | XII, | - | 2 | 14 | 15 | | | | | |
| " | " | " " | $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}$ | XIII, | - | 1 | 11 | 35 | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | 333 | 00 | | | |
| For : | Publ. I-XX | XX, - | - | - | - | \$ 1 | 94 | 90 | | | | | |
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| " | " XXX | KII, - | - | - | - | | 34 | 40 | | | | | |
| " | " XXX | XIIÍ, | - | - | - | | 2 | 70 | | | | | |
| | | ŕ | | | | | | | 239 | 30 | | | |
| For R | eprints fro | m Publ. | XXX | I, | - | \$ | 18 | 00 | | | | | |
| " | ·" " | | XXX | | - | | 10 | 00 | | | | | |
| | | | | • | | _ | | | 28 | 00 | | | |
| For C | orrections, | - | - | - | - | | - | - | 11 | 00 | | | |
| From | Advertizer | rs in Pu | bl. X | XXI, | - | \$ | 67 | 50 | | | | | |
| " | " | " | ·X | XXII, | | | 22 | 50 | | | | | |
| | | | | | | _ | | | 90 | 00 | | | |
| Intere | st, Perma | nent Fu | nd, | | - | | _ | - | 253 | 50 | | | |
| " | • | idge Sa | | Bank | ., | | - | - | 32 | 10 | | | |
| " | | Savings | | | - | | - | - | 67 | 90 | | | |
| " | Charle | s River | Tru | st Co. | , | | - | - | 31 | 81 | | | |
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EXPENDITURES

| To Secretary-Tresurer, | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---------|----|
| for Salary, | - \$ | 750 00 | | | | |
| " Printing, | - | 53 75 | | | | |
| " Bond, | - | 12 50 | | | | |
| | | 121 26 | | | | |
| " Expressage, | - | 14 01 | | | | |
| 2 07 | | | \$ 951 | 52 | | |
| To Secretary, Central Division, | | | | | | |
| for Salary, | - \$ | 100 00 | | | | |
| " Clerical Services and Posta | ge, | 41 88 | | | | |
| | | | 141 | 88 | | |
| | | | | | | |
| To J. T. Hatfield, Chairman, - | | | | 00 | | |
| To A. R. Hohlfeld, Chairman, - | | | | 49 | | |
| To W. A. Neilson, Managing Trus | • | | 2 90 | 00/ | | |
| For Publications, XXXII, 1, - | - \$ | 978 83 | | | | |
| " " XXXII, 2, - | - | 908 70 | | | | |
| " " XXXII, 3, - | - | 811 89 | | | | |
| " " XXXII, 4, - | - | 780 45 | | | | |
| | | | 3,479 | 87 | | |
| For Program, 35th Annual Meetin | g, | | \$ 157 | 00 | | |
| For Program, Central Division, | - | | 124 | 35 | | |
| For Liberty Bond, | - | | 100 | 00 | | |
| Subscriptions returnd, | - | | 8 | 30 | | |
| Exchange, | - | | | 10 | | |
| <i>C ,</i> | | | | | \$5,287 | 51 |
| Balance on hand, December 24, 1 | 917, | | - | - | 599 | 68 |
| | | | | | \$5,887 | 19 |

B. INVESTED FUNDS

| Bright Fund (Eutaw Savings Bank), |
|--|
| Principal, Dec. 22, 1916, \$1,941 88 |
| Interest, April 1, 1917, 67 90 |
| \$2,009 78 |
| Withdrawn, April 1, 1917, 67 90 |
| Principal, Dec. 24, 1917, \$1,941 88 |
| von Jagemann Fund (Cambridge Savings Bank), |
| Principal, Dec. 22, 1916, \$1,366 12 |
| Interest, July 26, 1917, 55 18 |
| |
| Withdrawn, July 26, 1917, 32 10 |
| |
| Principal, Dec. 24, 1917, \$1,389 20 |
| Liberty Bond, 100 00 |
| Total, December 24, 1917, \$3,431 08 |
| C. BALANCE SHEET, 1917 |
| Deficit, Current Funds, \$ 102 55 |
| Surplus, Invested Funds, \$ 123 08 |
| Surplus, 1917, 20 53 |
| Added to Permanent Fund, 290 00 |
| Total Increase of Cash Assets, 1917, \$ 310 53 |

For Professor A. R. Hohlfeld, *Chairman*, the Secretary briefly reported progress of the Committee on the Collegiate Training of Teachers of Modern Foren Languages, announcing that the final Report of this Committee was nearly redy for the press.

The Secretary reported on correspondence with reference to a Cumulativ Index of the *Publications* of the Association, and on his motion it was

Voted: that a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to consider and report to the Executiv Council the feasibility of publishing a Cumulativ Index to the Publications of the Association and of coöperating with the publishers of other periodicals in the publication of a Cumulativ Index covering all American lerned jurnals in the field of the modern languages and their literatures.

The Secretary cald attention to the project of the Bibliographical Society of America to take a census of incunabula in America and invited communication of items to Mr. George Parker Winship, of the Harry Elkins Memorial Library, Cambridge, Mass.

The Secretary transmitted for Professors O. F. Emerson and Karl Young a question whether the Association might undertake to publish a list of such rotographs of manuscripts as ar in public or private possession in America, and on the Secretary's motion this question was referd to the Committee on the Reproduction of Erly Texts.

On the Secretary's motion the representation of the Association on the Joint Committee on Grammatical Nomenclature was continued. Professor Wm. Gardner Hale, *Chairman*, briefly reported on the state of the Committee's business.

For the Committee of Five on a course of study in